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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: North Korean Fishing Vessel Constructed in Holland Query by Mr. William Woodruff, on the Staff of
Senate Appropriations Committee

Received a call from William Woodruff, on the staff of the Senate Appropriations Committee, who requested information for Senator Richard B. Russell (D., Ga.) concerning the reported construction of a fishing vessel in Holland for the Government of North Korea. After checking with Mr. Proctor, in the office of the DD/I, I advised Mr. Woodruff that one fish factory has been built and another is under construction; that the first is enroute to North Korea (probably off the southern tip of Africa) and is manned, registered, and flies the flag of Holland. Although some western Europeans might be in the crew, there are no North Koreans known to be aboard. Mr. Woodruff thanked me for the advice and indicated that Senator Russell had been queried on the matter in the morning and wanted to confirm that the vessel is enroute.

Assistant Legislative Counsel

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